Abstract of the Disclosure

A method of the invention comprises generating a display of privilege state data for a network system in a three-dimensional view. The privilege state data can include graphical symbols indicating "on", "inherited on", "public on", "off", "not set", and "disabled" states. The display can include at least one privilege label, object label, and user label arranged along respective axes of the three-dimensional view. The privilege state data can be displayed one or more cells arranged in association with respective privilege label(s), object label(s), and user label(s). The privilege label identifies at least one privilege, the object label identifies at least one object associated with the privilege, and the user label identifies at least one user or group of users associated with the object. The privilege labels can identify data access, data view, and data flow privileges to access or transfer data pertaining to the object within or without the network system. The privilege labels can also identify use privileges to use one or more software components. The object labels can identify one or more data objects stored in a database accessible by the network system, or one or more software components. The user labels can identify at least one user and/or user group. The invention also includes additional methods, a network system, and an article of manufacture.